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Application No.: 09/602,279 Examiner: Peyton, T. Filed: June 23, 2000 Group/Art Unit: 2182 Inventor(s): Atty. Dkt. No: MIPS.0168-00-US Nemirovsky, et al. Title: Method and Apparatus for Background Memory Management

AMENDMENT B

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of January 24, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.